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AMENDMENT AND REPLY

Sir:

This Amendment is being filed in response to the Office Communication mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on February 15, 2006, in the above-identified application.

Reconsideration and further examination are requested.

An extension of time to respond to the Office Communication is respectfully requested. A Petition for Extension of Time and the appropriate fee are being filed concurrently with this Amendment.

Amendments to the Claims are shown in the "Listing of the Claims" which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.